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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

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[0001] This application is a continuation-in-part of: U.S. Application Serial No. 09/537,471, filed March 24, 2000, ^{now U.S. Patent No. 6,454,741,} which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/049,857, filed March 27, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,135,991, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/813,807, filed March 6, 1997, now abandoned; U.S. Application Serial No. 09/049,712, filed March 27, 1998, ^{now U.S. Patent No. 6,544,276,} which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/975,723, November 20, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,050,972, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/812,139, filed March 6, 1997, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/650,464, filed May 20, 1996, now abandoned; U.S. Application Serial No. 09/438,030, filed November 10, 1999; ^{now U.S. Patent No. 6,652,480,} U.S. Application Serial No. 09/270,150, filed March 16, 1999, ~~which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/933,816, filed September 19, 1997, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/813,810, filed March 6, 1997, now abandoned;~~ ^{now abandoned,} U.S. Application Serial No. 09/837,872, filed April 17, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/415,607, filed October 8, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,217,567, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/812,876, filed March 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,068,623; and U.S. Application Serial No. 09/314,054, filed May 18, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/812,570, filed March 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,022,336, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/650,464, filed May 20, 1996, now abandoned; all of which are incorporated by reference in their entireties.

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Please replace paragraph [0066] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0066] In a drug or fluid delivery embodiment of the present invention, after the distal end of the guidewire having an occlusive device such as a balloon or filter is delivered past the site

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of the occlusion and the optional aspiration step is complete, the occlusive device is actuated to at least partially, ~~an~~ and in one embodiment totally, occlude the vessel at a site distal to the site of the occlusion. In another embodiment, prior to actuation of the occlusive device, a first therapy or other catheter is delivered over the guidewire. Once the blood vessel is occluded, therapy can be performed by delivering a drug or fluid through a catheter advanced over the guidewire to the site of the occlusion as described herein to partially or totally dissolve the occlusion. After therapy has been performed, aspiration of any particles broken off from the occlusion may also be performed while the occlusive device is actuated. It will be appreciated that it may take time for the drug to dissolve or act on the occlusion, and therefore a clinician may wait a desired period before aspirating.
